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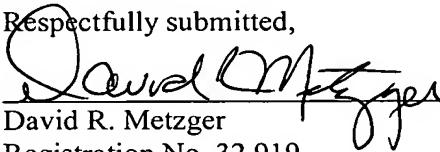
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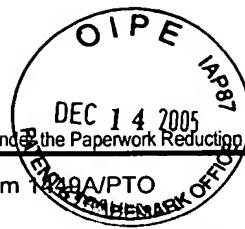
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The above-identified documents were cited in a communication (Search Report and Written Opinion) from the Australian Patent Office dated September 23, 2005 (copies enclosed herewith), in a counterpart foreign application (SG Application No. 200306874-9).

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